GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:831
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2002
FCI GODOWNS IN KERALA
P.C. THOMAS

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the total capacity of Food Corporation of India godowns in the State of Kerala at present, district-wise;

(b) whether the Government propose to construct more godowns in the State;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of godowns that are lying closed in the State, district-wise; and

(e) the remedial steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to restore these closed godowns particularly Wellington Island in Cochin?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SH KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a): At present, Food Corporation of India has a total storage capacity of 6.03 lakh tonnes (Owned & Hired/Covered and CAP) in the State of Kerala. District-wise storage capacity is given at Annex.

(b)&(c): During the Tenth Five Year Plan FCIproposes to construct godowns at Meenangadi and Arakulam with a capacity of 5000 MTs each.

(d)&(e): No godown in the State is lying closed. However, `B` site of Kochi (Wellingdon Island) having a capacity of 40,960 MTs is being surrendered to Port Trust due to its un-storageworthiness. The PDS requirements of Ernakulam District are being met from FCI`s godown at Angamally.

ANNEX

ANNEX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION No.831 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 22-11-20 THE LOK SABHA.

As on 30.09.2002
(Capacity in `000` Tonnes)

Name of FCI District (Covered & CAP/ Owned & Hired)	Total Capacity
Alleppy	35.00
Calicut	91.48
Cochin	100.30
Kottayam	20.64
Muzahappulangad	52.56
Palaghat	87.02
Quilon	64.93
Trichur	67.66
Trivandrum	83.07
Grand Total	602.66